Monday, August 29, 1960

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed second supplemental appropriations and cleared for President Social Security Amendments—Aged Medical Care.

House cleared Government retirees' health benefits bill for President.

Senate

Chamber Action

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Bills Introduced: Six bills and five resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3905-3910; S.J. Res. 222; and S. Res. 380-383.

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows: H.J. Res. 721, private bill (S. Rept. 1926);

S. Res. 354, increasing by \$11,525 authorized funds for Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce to investigate certain matters within its jurisdiction (S. Rept. 1927); and S. Res. 355, increasing by \$13,300 authorized funds for Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce to study transportation policies in the U.S. (S. Rept. 1927);

S. Res. 374, increasing by \$150,000 authorized funds for Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce to study uses of Government-licensed media for the dissemination of political opinions, news, etc. (S. Rept.

1928);

S. Res. 368, increasing by \$25,000 authorized funds for Committee on the Judiciary to investigate antitrust

and monopoly laws (S. Rept. 1929);

H.J. Res. 311, authorizing the erection of a statute of Taras Shevchenko on public grounds in the D.C. (S. Rept. 1930);

S. 3901, to authorize the erection of a memorial in the

D.C. to Gen. John J. Pershing (S. Rept. 1931);

S. 3846, to establish a National Armed Forces Museum Advisory Board of the Smithsonian Institution (S. Rept. 1932);

H.R. 8156, private bill (S. Rept. 1933);

H.R. 2485, to provide compensation for certain World War II losses, with amendments and the supplemental views (S. Rept. 1934);

S. Res. 360, to print "Legislative History of the Committee on Foreign Relations, U.S. Senate, 86th Congress" as a Senate document (no written report);

S. Res. 362, to print "Strengthening Free-World Security" as a Senate document (no written report);

S. Res. 363, to print additional copies of certain hearings on "U.S. Foreign Policy" (no written report);

S. Res. 379, to print for use of Committee on the Judiciary 2,000 additional copies of Senate Report 1834, 86th Congress, 2d session on "The Insurance Industry—

Aviation, Ocean Marine, and State Regulation" (no

written report);

S. Con. Res. 115, to print additional hearings on S. Res. 94, relating to compulsory jurisdiction of International Court of Justice (no written report);

S. Res. 380, electing Senator Martin to Joint Commit-

tees on Printing and on Library; and

S. Res. 381, payment of gratuity to survivor of deceased Senate employee (no written report). Page 18102

Fish and Game: Senate insisted on its amendment to H.R. 2565, to promote fish and game conservation and rehabilitation in military reservations, agreed to hold conference requested by House, and appointed as conferees Senators Engle, Bartlett, and Cotton. Page 18084

Merchant Marine: Senate insisted on its amendments to H.R. 5068, to provide for licensing independent foreign freight forwarders, agreed to hold conference requested by House, and appointed as conferees Senators Pastore, Bartlett, Engle, Butler, and Scott.

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Social Security Amendments—Aged Medical Care: By 74 yeas to 11 nays (motion to reconsider tabled), Senate adopted conference report on and cleared for President H.R. 12580, Social Security Amendments of 1960—Aged Medical Care.

Second Supplemental Appropriations: By 67 yeas to 21 nays (motion to reconsider tabled), Senate passed H.R. 13161, second supplemental appropriations for fiscal 1961, after adopting by voice vote all committee amendments en bloc except for those respecting mutual security funds which were adopted by 56 yeas to 31 nays (motion to reconsider tabled).

Senate insisted on its amendments, asked for conference with House, and appointed as conferees Senators Hayden, Johnson (Tex.), Chavez, Ellender, Hill, Robertson, Magnuson, Holland, Bridges, Saltonstall, Young (N. Dak.), and Mundt.

On the request of Senator Russell he was excused from service as a conferee on this bill, and Senator Johnson (Tex.) was appointed in his place.

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Public Lands—Kentucky: H.R. 11561, relating to conveyance of lands in Madison County, Ky., to Pioneer

National Monument Association, was passed (motion to reconsider tabled), after adoption of Morse amendment providing for payment of 50 percent of the fair market value of the land conveyed.

S. 3324, companion bill, was indefinitely postponed.

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Printing: A paper prepared by the National Forest Service entitled "National Forests in Wyoming—Basic Facts" was ordered to be printed, with an illustration, as a Senate document.

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Taxation and Tariff: Senate insisted on its amendments to the following three bills, agreed to hold conference requested by House on each, and appointed as conferees Senators Byrd (Va.), Kerr, Frear, Long (La.), Williams (Del.), and Carlson:

Cigars: H.R. 10960, relating to the determination of retail price for purposes of the Federal excise tax on

cigars;

Advertising charges: H.R. 12536, to exclude certain local advertising charges from the sale price, within limits, for purposes of the manufacturer's excise taxes; and

Heptanoic acid: H.R. 12659, to suspend import duties on heptanoic acid for a period of 3 years.

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Foreign Service: Senate adopted conference report on and cleared for President S. 2633, proposed Foreign Service Act Amendments of 1960.

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Freedom Commission: Senate took up S. 1689, to create the Freedom Commission for the development of the science of counteraction to the world Communist conspiracy, but consideration of the bill was later put aside when Senate considered other business.

Pages 18145-18146

Supreme Court Nominations: By 48 yeas to 37 nays (motion to reconsider tabled), Senate adopted S. Res. 334, opposing the making of recess appointments to the Supreme Court, after rejecting by 33 yeas to 52 nays (motion to reconsider tabled), Keating motion to recommit the resolution to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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Labor-Management Relations: Senate adopted S. Res. 382, granting authority for release of certain records

and for appearance of Senator McClellan and staff members of Select Committee on Labor-Management Relations in certain court proceedings.

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D.C. Nurses: Senate concurred in House amendments to and cleared for President S. 1870, to provide for examination, licensing, registration, and for regulation of professional and practical nurses and for nursing education in the D.C.

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D.C. Land: S. 3648, authorizing the transfer of certain U.S. land to the D.C. Redevelopment Land Agency, was cleared for President when Senate concurred in House amendment thereto.

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D.C. Police and Firemen: Senate passed with amendments (motion to reconsider tabled) H.R. 13053, to provide salary increases for Metropolitan Police, D.C. Firemen, U.S. Park Police, and White House Police, after substituting for its text the amended language of S. 3713, companion bill, on which the following actions had first been taken:

S. 3713 was passed (motion to reconsider tabled), after adopting committee amendments and a Bridges amendment to authorize FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover to retire on full salary after 30 years' service. By 50 yeas to 21 nays, Senate adopted Morse motion to table Williams (Del.) amendment to incorporate in the bill the provisions of H.R. 10346, to increase the rate of tax on gross receipts from certain sales in the D.C.

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School Desegregation: Senator Javits sent to the desk a resolution to discharge Committee on the Judiciary from further consideration of S. 958, to assist in meeting certain costs of carrying out public school desegregation programs. Presiding Officer announced that the resolution would lie over for 1 day under the rule.

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D.C. Teachers: Senate took up H.R. 12993, to amend the D.C. Teachers' Salary Act of 1955.

Recess: Recessed at 8:28 p.m.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 13 public bills, H.R. 13198–13210; 7 private bills, H.R. 13211–13217; and 4 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 729–731 and H. Res. 633, were introduced.

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Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 12775, D.C. police and firemen's retirement increase (pt. II of H. Rept. 2151);

S. 2917, to establish a price support level for milk and butterfat (H. Rept. 2182);

H. Res. 633, providing for the consideration of, and 2 hours of debate on, H.R. 8093, to amend the Merchant Marine Act of 1936 in order to eliminate the 6-percent differential applying to certain bids of Pacific coast shipbuilders (H. Rept. 2183);

S. 3835, authorizing the D.C. Civil War Centennial Commission to plan civic programs in commemoration of the 100th anniversary of the Civil War (H. Rept.

2184);

S. 3867, to exempt from taxation certain property of the National Guard Association of the U.S. in the D.C.

(H. Rept. 2185);

S. 743, to amend the Federal Coal Mine Safety Act to remove the exemption with respect to certain mines employing no more than 14 individuals (H. Rept. 2186);

H.R. 12574, relating to selection of physician under Longshoremen's and Harbor Workers' Compensation

Act (H. Rept. 2187);

Disposition of executive papers (H. Rept. 2188);

H.R. 12777, to amend the Longshoremen's and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act, to provide increased benefits in case of disabling injuries (H. Rept. 2189);

S. 1105, improving the land tenure patterns on the

Fort Belknap Reservation (H. Rept. 2190);

S. 1663, conveyance of certain property in State of North Dakota to the city of Bismarck, N. Dak. (H. Rept. 2191);

S. 1670, providing for the granting of mineral rights in certain homestead lands in State of Alaska, amended

(H. Rept. 2192);

S. 1889, authorizing transfer of three units of Fort Belknap Indian irrigation project to landowners within the project (H. Rept. 2193);

S. 2757, to permit any State to acquire certain public

lands for recreational use (H. Rept. 2194);

S. 2914, authorizing the purchase and exchange of lands and interests therein on the Blue Ridge and Natchez Trace Parkways (H. Rept. 2195);

S. 3267, relating to the disposition of certain public

lands in Alaska, amended (H. Rept. 2196);

S. 3399, authorizing the exchange of certain property within Shenandoah National Park, in the State of Virginia (H. Rept. 2197);

H.R. 8712, authorizing longer term leases of Indian lands on certain Indian reservations, amended (H. Rept.

2198);

Conference report on H.R. 10087, to permit taxpayers to elect an overall limitation on the foreign tax credit (H. Rept. 2199);

H.R. 13062, to extend the Sugar Act of 1948, as amended (H. Rept. 2200). Pages 18237-18238

Foreign Service: The House adopted the conference report on S. 2633, Foreign Service Act Amendments of 1960, and sent the legislation to the Senate.

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Government Retirees' Health: Cleared S. 2575, to provide a health benefits program for certain retired Government employees, for Presidential consideration by agreeing to a Senate amendment to a House amendment to the bill.

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Public Health Training: H.R. 6871, to amend the Public Health Service Act to authorize project grants for graduate training in public health, was cleared for Presidential action by House adoption of conference report thereon.

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D.C. Legislation: The consideration of bills pertaining to the D.C. was in order and the following bills were

called up and passed:

D.C. police and firemen's retirement increase: H.R. 12775, to increase the relief or retirement compensation of certain former members of the Metropolitan Police force, the D.C. Fire Department, the U.S. Park Police force, the White House Police force, and the U.S. Secret Service; and of their widows, widowers, and children (sent to the Senate);

D.C. unemployment: S. 3416, to restore to the U.S. amounts expended in the D.C. in carrying out the Temporary Unemployment Compensation Act of 1958

(cleared for the President);

Civil War centennial: S. 3835, authorizing the D.C. Civil War Centennial Commission to plan civic programs in commemoration of the 100th anniversary of the Civil War (cleared for the President);

D.C. liquor sale: H.R. 11535, to provide that class C and D licenses shall not be prohibited from serving alcoholic beverages in their establishments on New Year's Day when New Year's falls on Sunday (sent to the Senate);

National Guard Association: S. 3867, to exempt from taxation certain property of the National Guard Association of the U.S. in the D.C. (cleared for the President).

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Tariff and Taxes: The House disagreed to Senate amendments to the following three bills; requested conferences with the Senate; and appointed Representatives Mills, Forand, King of California, Mason, and Byrnes of Wisconsin, conferees on all three bills:

H.R. 12659, to suspend import duties on heptanoic acid for a period of 3 years;

H.R. 12536, to exclude certain local advertising charges from the sale price, within limits, for purposes of the manufacturer's excise taxes; and

H.R. 10960, relating to the determination of retail price for purposes of the Federal excise tax on cigars.

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Veterans—Relief: H.R. 3313, to permit the establishment of certain facts by a declaration under penalty of perjury in lieu of an affidavit, was cleared for Presidential consideration by House concurrence in Senate amendments thereto.

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Medal of Honor: Agreed to a Senate amendment to H.R. 270, to increase the rate of special pension payable to certain persons awarded the Medal of Honor, with a House amendment and returned the bill to the Senate.

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Bills Referred: Three Senate-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees.

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Adjournment: Adjourned at 5:46 p.m.

Committee Meetings

AGRICULTURE MISCELLANY—WATERSHED

Committee on Agriculture: Met in executive session and ordered reported to the full committee the following bills:

S. 2761, to validate payments made for certain emergency conservation measures;

S. 2917 (reconsidered and ordered reported), to establish a price support level for milk and butterfat;

H.R. 12720 (amended), to amend the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954; and

H.R. 13062 (amended), to extend the Sugar Act of 1948.

The committee approved watershed projects in Colorado, Georgia, Hawaii, Mississippi, New Mexico, Maryland, Oklahoma, Texas, and Virginia.

Deferred action on watershed projects in Hawaii, Florida, Virginia, New Mexico, Kentucky, Tennessee, and South Carolina.

GOVERNMENT-INSURED SHIP MORTGAGES

Committee on Government Operations: The committee met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the House S. 3018 (amended), to authorize the Maritime Administration to make advances on Government-insured ship mortgages. Also approved a report to be filed in the House entitled, "Defense Transportation Personnel Policy."

The committee will continue in executive session Tuesday, August 30.

INTERIOR MISCELLANY

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Ordered favorably reported to the House the following measures:

S. 1105, to improve the land tenure patterns on the

Fort Belknap Reservation;

S. 1889, to authorize the transfer of three units of the Fort Belknap Indian irrigation project to the landowners within the project;

H.R. 8712 (amended), to authorize longer term leases of Indian lands on the Agua Caliente (Palm Springs) Reservation and the Seminole Reservations in Florida;

S. 2757 (amended), to permit any State to acquire

certain public lands for recreational use;

S. 2914, to authorize the purchase and exchange of land and interest therein on the Blue Ridge and Natchez Trace Parkways;

S. 3267 (amended), relating to the disposition of cer-

tain public lands in Alaska;

S. 3399, to authorize the exchange of certain property within the Shenandoah National Park in the State of Virginia;

S. 1670 (amended), to provide for the granting of mineral rights in certain homestead lands in the State

of Alaska; and

S. 1663, directing the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain property in the State of North Dakota to the city of Bismarck, N. Dak.

Tabled S. 1565, to amend the act entitled "An act relative to employment for certain adult Indians on or near Indian reservations," approved August 3, 1956.

The committee will meet again Tuesday, August 30.

Joint Committee Meetings

NUCLEAR SPACE ROCKET

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Committee met in executive session to receive a briefing on the status of the Nation's nuclear-powered space rocket project (Project Rover). Witnesses heard were John A. McCone, Chairman, Dr. Robert E. Wilson and Loren K. Olson, both members, all of the AEC; Dr. Norris Bradbury, and other representatives of the Los Alamos Scientific Laboratory, AEC; and H. B. Finger, Chief of Nuclear Propulsion, and other representatives of NASA.

MINIMUM WAGE

Conferees continued, in executive session, to resolve the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 12677, proposing amendments to the Fair Labor Standards Act, but did not reach final agreement, and will meet again tomorrow.